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## PETITION UNDER CFR § 1.53(e)(2)

## Commissioner for Patents:

- 1. Applicants hereby petition for the Commissioner to enter the enclosed specification, alleged to be missing from the application filed with the U.S.P.T.O. on December 5, 2001, and to grant the filing date of December 5, 2001. To briefly summarize the events leading to this Petition, as noted above, Applicants filed the complete nonprovisional application papers on December 5, 2001. Applicants subsequently received a Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application, mailed January 11, 2002, alleging that the specification was missing. A copy of said Notice is enclosed herewith.
- 2. Applicants respectfully submit that a complete Specification with Claims and Abstract (128 pages), Drawings (12 pages-Figures 1-11), Declaration and Power of Attorney, Sequence Listing, Declaration for Sequence Listing, and Diskette for Sequence Listing was filed by the Applicants, and received by the U.S.P.T.O., on its original filing date of December 5, 2001.

As evidenced by the enclosed copy of applicants' return postcard, stamped by U.S.P.T.O on December 5, 2001, the Office of Initial Patent Examination (OIPE) reviewed nonprovisional application papers and determined that the specification containing a description and at least one claim was indeed present. Applicants accordingly petition the Commission Patents to authorize entry of the enclosed specification of the above nonprovisional application.

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Adjustment 03213/2002 04bf6:188f: DAR:191090 FF. 704 on the basis that the specification was present in the Applicants' application papers as filed with U.S.P.T.O. on December 5, 2001, receipt of which was specifically confirmed by the U.S.P.T.O. The enclosed specification represents an exact duplicate of Applicants' copy of the specification as filed.

3. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$130, as required. Please deduct any fee deficiency or credit any fee overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1090. The Commissioner is invited to contact the undersigned at (206) 694-4877 with any questions, comments and/or suggestions pertaining to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Specification

12 Sheets Drawings (Figs. 1-11)

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